

Confirmation No. 8810

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APPLICANTS' INTERVIEW SUMMARY

20 Sir:

The applicants thank the examiner for conducting a very productive telephone
interview after the final Office Action mailed August 17, 2004. That interview, held
25 September 21, 2004, was discussed in an Examiner's Interview Summary, mailed
September 23, 2004. Regarding that Examiner's Interview Summary, applicants note that
claim 6 was discussed, rather than claim 1. Claim 1 was not pending in the application at
the time of the interview.

30 The applicants provide the following statement regarding the substance of the
interview.

The applicants and the examiner discussed related features of claims 6 and 11, and
noted that other independent claims also included related features. The applicants and the
35 examiner reached agreement that the cited art failed to disclose a narrow-beam, ground-
based antenna of fixed orientation, used with a sub-orbital platform that is maintained

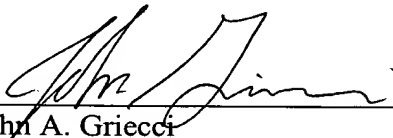
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within the beamwidth of the antenna. However, the Examiner required clarification of the phrase "generally fixed orientation."

Respectfully submitted,

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